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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 4, 2003. Enclosed are a request for a six-month extension of time and an acknowledgment post card. Please charge deposit account 01-2530 in the amount of \$930.00 for the filing of the extension of time. Although Applicants believe no other fees are due with this response, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge deposit account 01-2530 for any fees due in connection with this response.

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in connection with the above-identified patent application: